

CARROLL COUNTY ASSOCIATION

OF MISSIONARY BAPTISTS

THIRTY-FIFTH
ANNUAL SESSION

HELD AT PLEASANT HILL CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 30 TO OCTOBER 2, 1903

from George West



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OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

MODERATOR, W. B. Collins Alpena Pass, Ark.
CLERK and TREASURER, A. J. Russell.... Green Forest, Ark.

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

George West.....Eureka Springs, Ark.
A. J. Russell.....Green Forest, Ark.
W. J. Ledbetter.....Berryville, Ark.
Jesse Estes.....Carrollton, Ark.
Dr. J. B. Bolton.....Eureka Springs, Ark.

ANNUAL MEETING, 1904.

Time.....Wednesday before the first Sunday in October.
Place.....Immanuel Church, Eureka Springs, Ark.
Introductory Sermon Eld. J. H. Spurlin.
Alternate..... Eld. S. C. McCollough.
Missionary Sermon..... Eld. H. C. Roberts.
Alternate..... Eld. J. C. Howard.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

A. D. Cole, Eureka Springs.	J. C. Howard, Green Forest.
D. R. Kittrell, “	S. C. McCollough, Blue Eye.
J. H. DeLano, “	G. M. Jameson, Seligman.
M. M. Munger, “	J. H. Spurlin, Berryville.
H. C. Roberts, “	J. B. Swanner, “
T. L. Powell, “	D. H. Walker, “
A. Dill, Carrollton.	W. B. Collins, Alpena Pass.
E. R. Graham, Green Forest.	

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

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| 1 Organization. | 7 Invite visitors to seats. |
| 2 Preach Introductory Sermon. | 8 Appoint committees. |
| 3 Read letters from Churches and enroll Messengers. | 9 Report of Mission Board. |
| 4 Permanent organization. | 10 Reports of committees. |
| 4 Call for petitionary letters. | 11 Appoint Cor. Messengers. |
| 6 Call for correspondents. | 12 Miscellaneous business. |
| | 13 Read minutes. |
| | 14 Adjourn. |

CONSTITUTION.

- 1 This Association shall be composed of ordained ministers within the bounds of said Churches, and of messengers and delegates chosen by the Churches composing this Association, who, upon presenting letters certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to seats.
- 2 The messengers, there chosen, when convened, shall be known as the "Carroll County Association of Missionary Baptists," who shall be not merely an advisory council, but a council for the advancement of the cause and kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- 3 Each Church in the Association shall be entitled to three delegates, and any Church failing to represent herself shall give a reason for such failure at the next Association.
- 4 Letters from the Churches shall state the number received by experience and baptism, letter, recommendation and restoration, and those dismissed by letter, excluded or deceased, since the last Association; also the total number in fellowship.
- 5 New Churches may be admitted into the Association who petition by letter and delegates, and adopt or subscribe to our Articles of Faith, Constitution and Rules of Decorum, the Moderator giving right hand of fellowship.
- 6 The Association shall elect a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer by the suffrage of the members present.
- 7 The Association shall have a fund for her support, which shall be supplied by voluntary contributions from the Churches, sent by the hands of the delegates, which shall be at her disposal for Associational purposes only.
- 8 Donating or withholding our means for religious purposes shall be at the free volition of any member, and it shall not be a bar to fellowship.
- 9 Questions may be sent by Churches in their letters, or brought in by motion and second, and may or may not be investigated, as the Association may determine.
- 10 The Association shall, in all cases, be governed by a majority of the members, except in the reception of new Churches, which shall be unanimous.
- 11 The Association shall have power to withdraw her fellowship from any Church in her union, who, after due admonition, shall be in faith or practice unsound.
- 12 Some one of her ministers shall be elected by the Association to preach the Introductory Sermon at the next time of meeting.

- 13 She may correspond with other Associations, as she may determine while in session.
 - 14 The Treasurer shall receive and disburse the funds belonging to her as she may direct.
 - 15 The Clerk shall keep a minute of the proceedings, which shall be printed and distributed among the Churches, according to the membership.
 - 16 The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if necessary, signed by the Moderator and attested by the Clerk, before the Association's adjournment from day to day.
 - 17 Amendments to the Constitution may be made at any time, when two-thirds of the Churches represented in this body deem it necessary.
 - 18 The Association, at each session, shall determine the time and place for the next annual meeting.
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RULES OF DECORUM.

- 1 This Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
- 2 A Moderator shall be chosen by private ballot of the members present, whose duty it shall be to state questions properly before the Association, but who shall vote only when there is a tie vote in the Association. It shall be his duty, when he desires to debate any subject, to call a member to the chair as Moderator while he debates.
- 3 Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise and address the Moderator, and shall not be interrupted unless he digress from the subject, and in no case shall he reflect on any other speaker's imperfections, but shall give his own views on the subject.
- 4 No person shall absent himself finally from the Association without permission, but the Moderator may grant temporary leave of absence to members when it will not interfere with ordinary business.
- 5 No person shall be allowed to occupy the floor more than ten minutes, being allowed three speeches.
- 6 No member shall whisper, or laugh, or read any book or paper during the session of the Association.

ARTICLES OF FAITH.

- 1 We believe that the Holy Bible, written by men, divinely inspired and full of unmixed truth, is a perfect rule of faith and practice.—II Tim. 3:15-17; II Peter 1:21.
- 2 We believe in one God—Father, Son and Holy Ghost.—Psa. 83:18, 147:5; Heb. 3:4; Matt. 28:19.
- 3 We believe that man, once holy, fell by voluntary transgression from that happy state, and is now utterly void of holiness.—Gen. 1:27; 3:6-24; Rom. 5:12.
- 4 We believe that sinners are saved by grace alone.—Eph. 2:8, 9; Isa. 53:4, 5; Jno. 3:16.
- 5 We believe that men are justified by faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.—Acts 13:38, 39; Rom. 5:1, 2, 9.
- 6 We believe that salvation is free to all who will accept the Gospel.—Rev. 22:17; Rom. 1:16; Isa. 55:1.
- 7 We believe that, except a man be renewed by the Holy Spirit, he is not qualified or prepared for the kingdom of Christ on earth, or to enjoy His Glory hereafter.—Jno. 1:13; 3:3, 6; Jas. 1:18.
- 8 We believe that repentance toward God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ are the duties of every one who hears the Gospel.—Mark 1:15; Eph. 2:8; I Jno. 5:1.
- 9 We believe that election is the eternal purpose of God, by which he graciously regenerates, sanctifies and saves sinners.—II Tim. 1:8, 9; II Thess. 2; 13, 14; Rom. 8; 28-30.
- 10 We believe that sanctification began in regeneration, and, ever progressive, is the process by which we are made to partake of God's holiness.—I Thess. 5:23; II Cor. 3:8; Prov. 4:18.
- 11 We believe in the preservation of the saints—that they are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.—Jno. 8:31; I Jno. 2:19; I Pet. 1:5.
- 12 We believe that God's Law is the only, the eternal and unchangeable rule over His Church and moral government.—Matt. 5:17, 18; Rom. 3:31.
- 13 We believe that a New Testament Church is a congregation of baptized believers, united in the faith and fellowship of the Gospel, observing the ordinances and obeying the laws of Christ, and that its officers are pastors and deacons.—I Cor. 1:2, 10; Acts 2:41, 42, 47; Phil. 1:1.
- 14 We believe that Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in water, by a properly qualified administrator,

into the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost.—Acts 8:36, 39; Rom. 6:4; Col. 2:12.

- 15 We believe that only such as have been properly baptised [as to what constitutes baptism, see 14] and received into the fellowship of a regularly organized New Testament Church [as to what constitutes such a Church, see 13] should partake of the Lord's Supper.—I Cor. 11:26, 28.

[NOTE—Let it be remembered that when the New Testament Scriptures were written, all the Churches were of the same faith and taught the same doctrine; hence, such a thing as intercommunion among denominations, holding and teaching entirely different doctrine, was unthought of.]

- 16 We believe that the Lord's Day, or Christian Sabbath, should be devoutly observed and sacredly devoted to religious services.—Acts 20:7, 13:44; Rev. 1:10.
- 17 We believe that civil government is of divine appointment, and that the Governors of States and Nations should be obeyed, when the laws they seek to enforce are not in conflict with the Gospel.—Rom. 13:1-7; Matt. 22:21; Acts 5:29.
- 18 We believe in the future resurrection of the dead.—Acts 24:15; I Cor. 15.
- 10 We believe in the final judgement, and that in that day the righteous and wicked will be separated forever.—Matt. 13:49, 25:31-46.
- 20 We believe that the righteous will be made happy forever in Heaven, and the wicked miserable forever in hell.—Matt. 25:46; Luke 16:25.

PROCEEDINGS.

WEDNESDAY.

MORNING SESSION.

The thirty-fifth annual session of the Carroll County Association of Missionary Baptists convened at the meeting house of Pleasant Hill Church, three miles north of Berryville, Ark., on Wednesday, Sept. 30, 1903, at 10, a. m., and was called to order by Moderator George West. Devotional services were led by Eld. J. H. DeLano, reading the seventeenth chapter of John.

Eld. A. D. Cole preached the Introductory Sermon from Matt. 4:17: Repent therefore for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

Assisted by A. L. Plumlee the Clerk read the letters from the various Churches and enrolled the Messengers as shown by the table of statistics compiled and published in these minutes.

Adjournment taken until 2, p. m. Prayer by Eld. D. H. Walker.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association re-convened at the appointed hour. After song service and prayer by Eld. W. B. Collins, the Moderator appointed the following committee on preaching: Cyrus Standlee, A. L. Plumlee and D. H. Walker.

Proceeded to election of officers. Eld. W. B. Collins was chosen Moderator and A. J. Russell Clerk.

Motion carried the Association tender Bro. George West, the retiring Moderator, a vote of thanks for his efficient services in the past.

Called for Petitionary Letters. Received none.

Visiting brethren and sisters were invited to seats. The following were enrolled: Eld. Ben M. Bogard, repre-


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senting the Landmark Baptist; Eld. M. L. Voyles, Evangelist Crooked Creek Association; Eld. J. M. Walker, pastor First Church of Harrison, Ark.; Eld. W. W. Gardiner, agent Baptist Orphans' Home, Montecello, Ark.; Eld. P. H. Burden, Bethel Association, Indian Territory; Eld. James M. Baucom, Susan Marlow, A. J. Ledbetter and wife and Nancy Stewart, Lawrence County (Mo.) Association; Maggie Price and Catharine Price, Shady Grove Church; Thomas Newton and Henry Newton, New Pisgah Church.

The Moderator announced the appointment of the usual committees, the names of the members of each being indicated by the signatures to the reports recorded further on in these minutes.

Reports from Corresponding Messengers were called for and reports were made.

Committee on preaching designated Eld. M. L. Voyles to preach at night.

Adjournment taken until 10 a. m., Thursday. Prayer by Eld. Voyles.

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## THURSDAY.

### MORNING SESSION.

After singing the Moderator read the fourth chapter of Ephesians. Prayer was offered by Eld. Baucom.

The Moderator announced the following special committee on Standlee memorial services: A. J. Russell, G. R. McCall and W. J. Ledbetter.

Committee on Associational Missions reported and report was adopted as follows:

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

While it is not our purpose to discriminate between our several Mission interests, yet we must lay stress upon the destitution and needs within the bounds of our Association. While we have the Gospel as a treasure in earthen vessels, we must not forget that men who are material in a world that is matreial are called of God to preach it, and the churches authorized to send it, yet it takes money or its equivalent to

feed and clothe the men who preach. Well may we listen to Paul when he says: "Who goeth a warfare at his own charge, or who planteth a vineyard and eateth not of the fruit thereof." Again we must not forget that our blessed Master said that "repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name throughout the whole world, beginning at Jerusalem." We beg of the Churches of this Association not to forget the destitution in our own bounds, and we would therefore recommend that Pastors and Messengers of this Association lay this matter upon the hearts of the brethren at their earliest convenience; that special collections be made by each church for this work at least every three months; that steps be taken by some plan devised by this Association to secure Mission work in our bounds during the next associational year.

In conclusion, it is our sad duty to say that no Mission work was done by this Association during the past year. May the great Head of the Church bless us and may we do more this coming year than ever before.

J. H. SPURLIN, }  
W. J. LEDBETTER, } Com.  
W. S. GRIM, }

The committee on Orphans' Home submitted for adoption its report.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORPHANS' HOME.

We are humbly proud that Baptists of Arkansas have taken this matter into consideration. This Home is located at Monticello, Drew county, and is under the care and management of God-loving and God-honoring people, to wit: Bro. W. W. Gardiner and sister Hanna Hyatt-Gardiner.

They are now caring for fifty-eight children, fifteen of whom have become members of the Baptist Church, since coming to this Home. The ages of the children are from two weeks to thirteen years old. They are given literary training and taught to perform all kinds of labor. Brethren, let us not only talk about this Home, but let us show our faith by our works.

E. R. GRAHAM, }  
J. C. HOWARD, } Com.  
G. M. JAMESON, }

Pending the report Eld. Gardiner, agent of the Home presented its needs and made an earnest plea to the Baptist to continue to foster the institution. Report adopted. Collec-



tion taken for the Home amounting to \$12.50.

The hour of 11 o'clock, being reached Eld. G. M. Jame-son preached the Annual Missionary Sermon. Adjourned to 2, p. m. Prayer by Moderator.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

After singing, and prayer by Eld. Bogard, the Modera-tor called to order for business.

Eld J. F. Love, Missionary Secretary of the State Board, was enrolled as a visitor and invited to a seat with us.

The majority report of the Committee on State Missions was read. On motion to adopt, the minority report signed by Eld. D. R. Kittrell was read and offered as a substitute. The motion to adopt the minority report as a substitute was thoroughly discussed. The question being upon the adop-tion of the minority report, the question was called for and was defeated by a vote of 22 to 10. The original question was called for and the majority report was adopted by a vote of 28 to 5, as follows:

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE MISSIONS.

By State Missions is meant the work that the Baptist of Arkansas are doing to save the lost of our own state. Our churches engaged in this work co-operate through the Ex-ecutive Board of the State Convention. The Board is com-posed of one member from each Association in the state and of thirteen members at-large.

For many years the Carroll County Association has done its State Missionary work through the State Board, and our brethren will recall the almost death struggle and even di- vision of this Association fourteen years ago, when the ques- tion of Missions was settled, as we thought, for all time.

We wish to reiterate with special emphasis a part of the language of the report on State Missions last year: "We do not think it wise or best at this late date to abandon the old, safe and successful plans and people for the untried new-comers, and those who seek to further their own personal in-terests by bringing discord among brethren who are harmoni-ously at work."

At present the Board has about forty missionaries in the field at work in the destitute and weak parts of the state.



# IN MEMORIAM

To the Memory of

ELD. ISAAC STANDLEE



Born May 8, 1828. Died October 28, 1902.

FOR FIFTY YEARS A  
BAPTIST MINISTER.

"A Faithful Laborer Gone to His Reward."

We need 500 more. The men who are capable and willing to do this work are men without money and are dependent for support upon others. The churches that are able and willing are making large contributions to State Missions, enabling our missionaries to go into the destitute fields and carry the glad news of salvation.

S. C. McCOLLOUGH, }  
J. C. MAYS, } Com.

The pulpit committee reported that Eld. Ben M. Bogard would preach at night. Adjourned 9, a. m., tomorrow.

## FRIDAY.

### MORNING SESSION.

After song service, and the reading of the nineteenth Psalm by the Moderator, Eld. J. H. Spurlin offered prayer. Minuets of the two previous days read. No objections.

The Standlee Memorial Committee reported that this hour, 11 a. m., had been designated by the Committee as the time for unveiling the monument to the memory of Elder Isaac Standlee. The body then arose and assembled at the grave of our late brother where a monument had been erected by voluntary contributions. After appropriate song services, and prayer by Eld. S. C. McCollough, short talks were made by A. J. Russell, W. J. Ledbetter, Eld. J. B. Swanner and Sister Susan Marlow. Invocation by Eld. Jas. Baucom. The body then returned to the house and proceeded to business.

Committee on Nominations submitted its report and after a motion to amend same by changing place next meeting from Green Forest to Immanuel Church had prevailed the report was adopted as follows:

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

We recommend that the next meeting of this Association be held with Immanuel Baptist Church, Eureka Springs; that Eld. J. H. Spurlin preach the Introductory Sermon and that Eld. S. C. McCollough be his alternate; that Eld. H. C. Roberts preach the Annual Missionary Sermon and that Eld. J. C. Howard be his alternate; that the Executive Board be composed of Geo. West, A. J. Russell, W. J. Ledbetter, J. Estes,

and Dr. J. B. Bolton; that George West be our member of the State Board; and that Eld. J. H. Spurlin be our Messenger to the Southern Baptist Convention.

C. M. BARNES, }  
A. T. TIBBETTS, } Com.  
C. C. STANDLEE, }

After prayer adjourned to 2, p. m.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

The following report on Religious Literature was adopted:

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

We would again emphasize the fact that the Bible is the divine head and source of all religious literature and therefore as Baptists we should patronize only those publications which are in harmony with its spirit and doctrine. We commend the literature of the American Baptist Publication Society and the Southern Baptist Convention as meeting every requirement of our denomination, and we urge Baptists to cordially support these bodies in their chosen fields. We also commend our denominational papers as worthy of a place in all homes.

J. B. SWANNER, }  
J. H. DELANO, } Com.  
T. L. POWELL, }

Committee on Home Missions read its report which was adopted as follows:

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

Our Home Mission work, embracing the needs of the Southern States, District of Columbia, Oklahoma, Indian Territory and Cuba, has made great advancement during the last few years.

We believe that if our Churches were more enlightened in regard to this work it would receive greater support and more cheerfully given from every Church in our Association. We therefore recommend that every Church represented at this session be provided with literature on Home Missions.

MRS. M. R. REGAN, }  
NEELY BUTLER, } Com.  
W. D. WRIGHT, }

The report of the Committee on Education was adopted as follows:



## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

We believe that an education is a blessing of God, when properly used; therefore, we would urge parents to give their children a Christian education, and that our ministers better qualify themselves to preach the truth as it is in Christ Jesus.

We heartily recommend the Baptist Schools of Arkansas.

A. J. MASTERS, }  
W. G. PRICE, } Com.  
A. L. HOWERTON, }

The Committee on Foreign Missions submitted the following report which was adopted:

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

For fifty-five years the Arkansas State Convention has been co-operating with and doing its Foreign Mission work through the Southern Baptist Convention.

Ever since its organization, thirty-five years ago, the Carroll County Association has done its Foreign Mission work through the State Convention. There has nothing transpired to warrant us in changing the old, time-honored, Gospel plan of co-operating with the State Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention in the prosecution of this work in the future.

We are glad to note that the churches in our Association, some of them, have made splendid advancement along Mission lines. Every dollar of the Foreign Mission money raised during the year has been reported through the State Convention and by it to the Foreign Mission Board at Richmond, Va. This money has been economically and judiciously expended and properly accounted for.

We know that the heathen without the Gospel are lost, for the Word of God reads: Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.—Acts 4: 12. Also, read Romans 10: 14, 15, as follows: How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard and how shall they hear without a preacher, And how shall they preach except they be sent.

What excuse, think you, will that individual or church make to the Master in view of this his most solemn declaration?

It is our duty therefore to redouble our best efforts along

Mission lines during the ensuing year and thereby hasten the Second Coming of the Lord, for he said my Gospel must first be preached in all nations for a witness unto them and then shall the end come.

GEORGE WEST, }  
J. B. SWANNER, } Com.  
G. R. MCCALL, }

The following report of the Committee on Temperance was adopted:

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

It has been our observation that the whiskey traffic is on the wane within the bounds of this Association. While it is every Christian's bounden duty to use his influence and to vote against whiskey license, we would especially urge that the ministers of this Association, as they go through its bounds, preaching the Gospel of Christ, to admonish and persuade young ladies to have no social regard for any young man that will drink whiskey.

MAT KIRK, }  
W. R. WEAVER, } Com.  
A. L. HOWERTON, }

The report of the Committee on Finance was adopted as follows:

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The following amounts have been turned into our hands: Clerk and minute fund, \$23.60; Foreign Missions, \$3.80; Home Missions, \$1.05; State Missions, \$7.10. These sums have been paid to the Treasurer. Total contributions to the Orphans' Home was \$16.00, and was paid to Eld. W. W. Gardner.

A. J. TABOR, }  
W. J. LEDBETTER, } Com.  
S. C. MCCOLLOUGH, }

The report of Committee on Digest of Church letters was adopted as follows:

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS.

From an examination of the letters from the churches we find that there are thirteen represented, having a total membership of 1011, while last year there were ten churches represented with a total membership of 863. The three churches representing this year that heretofore failed for



the past few are Carrollton, Shady Grove and White Elm, having a membership of 127, of which 32 were additions during the past year, leaving a net balance of old membership not represented last year of 95. Combining and comparing, we find that there was a net increase over last year of 54. Only seven of the thirteen churches report additions by baptism and these aggregate 73. We urge upon the church clerks that they make complete and full reports of the work of the church, Sunday Schools, prayer meeting and church societies.

A. J. RUSSELL,  
GEORGE WEST, } Com.  
A. D. COLE, }

The report of Committee on Obituaries was adopted without reading as follows:

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OBITUARIES.

During the past Associational year the following brethren and sisters have crossed to the other shore: Sister — Bailey, First Church; Sister Bettie White, Rock Springs; Eld. Isaac Standlee, Pleasant Hill; Brother Joseph Stockton and Sister Curtis Cole, Immanuel; Brother Daniel Sims, Mt. Pisgah; Sister Artie White, Green Forest; Sister Sallie J. Williams and Brother Homer Young, Rocky Point. Therefore be it resolved that we extend our heart-felt sympathies and prayers to the bereaved relatives and to their respective churches.

R. C. BAKER,  
J. M. PAXTON, } Com.  
J. H. HARRYMAN, }

Whereas the Minute fund was found to be short, a motion prevailed requesting the several churches to supplement their contributions to this fund by amounts proportioned to their membership.

Motion also prevailed that the clerk have 500 copies of the minutes printed and that there be included in them the Articles of Faith, Rules of Decorum and Constitution, and that the clerk be paid the sum of \$5.00 for his services.

Moderator called for volunteer Corresponding Messengers to our sister associations, wherefore a motion prevailed, that it be a standing resolution of this Association that any member of it bearing a minute of the same may attend our sister associations as a Corresponding Messenger from this body.



The Associational Board reported that there had been nothing done in the way of Associational Missions the past year, except in individual efforts. Eld. G. M. Jameson had done some Mission work in the west end of the county for which Rocky Point Church paid him \$28.00.

At the special request of the pulpit committee, Dr. J. F. Love preached at 3, p. m.

The report of the Committee on Sunday Schools was adopted as follows:

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Sunday School work should be of great interest to every child of God. We believe it ought to be a Bible school and that every member of the church, old and young, and those not members of the church, whom we can influence, ought to be in the school. Let us guard against teaching that the Bible school is a place for children only. We are sorry to hear that so few of the churches in the Association have Sunday Schools. We believe it possible for every church to have a Bible school the year around if they want it. We take pleasure in recommending the Lesson Helps published by the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and the American Baptist Publication Society.

H. C. ROBERTS, }  
 JESSE ESTES, } Com.  
 J. M. KEITHLEY, }

Eld. H. C. Roberts offered the following Resolution of Thanks:

Resolved that the hearty thanks of this body be extended to the members and friends of Pleasant Hill church for their kind and hospitable entertainment.

The resolution was adopted by a rising vote, visitors being allowed to vote.

On motion one page of our minutes was ordered to be inscribed to the memory of Elder Isaac Standlee.

Motion prevailed that the moderator and clerk together with Eld. J. B. Swanner prepare a program and name a place for the next Fifth Sunday Meeting.

A. J. Russell made an announcement in behalf of the Baptist Advance, the only Baptist paper in the state in har-

mony with our work and urged it to be taken by every Baptist family within the Association.

After singing, a hearty handshake and prayer the association adjourned.

W. B. COLLINS,

A. J. RUSSELL,

MODERATOR.

CLERK.

## SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND CHURCH SOCIETIES

PLEASANT HILL: Has a Sunday School but does not give names of officers or statistics.

WHITE ELM: Has a Sunday School with an enrollment of 30. It uses Southern Baptist literature and has expended \$5.60.

GREEN FOREST: Sunday School has an enrollment of 80; average attendance 60. A. J. Russell, superintendent; uses literature of the Southern Baptist Convention. Expenses during past year \$21. The Ladies Aid Society expended \$35 on church debt and gave \$2.00 to Orphans' Home.

NEW PISGAH: Sunday School has 45 pupils. J. C. Mays is superintendent and Susan McCollough secretary.

FIRST CHURCH: Sunday School has an enrollment of 400 with average attendance of 153. Has contributed \$45 to the Sunday School Board. Expenses \$183.07; uses Southern Baptist literature; George West superintendent; total collections for the year \$279.27. The Young Peoples' Society has a membership of 55. Besides home expenses they have given \$10.00 to Home and Foreign Missions. The Ladies Aid Society has a good membership and has raised and expended for Missions, etc.; \$102.32; Mrs. J. H. Callendar president.

IMMANUEL: Sunday School officers are Dr. M. R. Regan, superintendent; Mrs. A. M. Smith secretary; has an enrollment of 91; uses Southern Baptist literature. Sunday School expenses for the year \$69.45. Mrs. G. W. Smelzer is president of W. M. U. and Mrs. J. H. DeLano secretary. Arthur Smith is president of B. Y. P. U. and Nellie Cobb secretary. The church is now occupying its new house of worship.

BERRYVILLE: Sunday School has an enrollment of 65. Reports seven baptisms; A. M. Jackson is superintendent and Bessie Kirkham secretary; uses Southern Baptist series. The Ladies Aid Society has a membership of 11. Collected for the year \$44.55 of which \$35 was paid on church debt and \$3.00 given to Missions; Mrs. T. J. Goudelock is president and Mrs. J. F. Kenner secretary.

ROCKY POINT: Sunday School has 35 pupils; uses the Bible for literature; W. F. Masters is superintendent and Miss Ella Masters is secretary.

SHADY GROVE: Sunday School has an enrollment of 40 pupils, average attendance 31; uses the Testament for literature.



# THE TABULATED STATEMENT FOR ASSOCIATIONAL YEAR 1903.

| CHURCHES.        | SERVICES.                 | MEMBERSHIP.   |          |      |                |          |                    | CONTRIBUTIONS.  |                     |                 |                          |                |               |                  |               |                     |               |                     | Value of Church Property |
|------------------|---------------------------|---------------|----------|------|----------------|----------|--------------------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|----------------|---------------|------------------|---------------|---------------------|---------------|---------------------|--------------------------|
|                  |                           | Rec. by Baptm | Restored | Died | Dis. by Letter | Excluded | Present Membership | Pastor's Salary | Incidental Expenses | Minute Printing | Association- al Missions | State Missions | Home Missions | Foreign Missions | Orphans' Home | Sunday School Board | Miscellaneous | Total Contributions |                          |
| Pleasant Hill    | Not reported              | 1             | 6        | 1    | 5              | 2        | 21                 | \$              |                     | \$ 1 00         | \$                       |                |               |                  |               |                     |               | \$ 1 00             | \$ 300                   |
| Carrollton       | Third Sunday              | 8             | 1        |      | 3              |          | 30                 |                 |                     | 50              | 5                        | 2 51           | 5             | 5                |               |                     |               | 8 18                |                          |
| First Church     | Every Sunday              | 18            | 22       | 3    | 1              | 17       | 2 461              | 1200 00         |                     | 5 00            |                          | 100 00         | 202 75        | 297 00           |               | 107 00              | 238 90        | 2150 65             | 5500                     |
| Mt. Pisgah       | Not reported              |               | 2        |      | 1              |          | 25                 |                 |                     | 1 00            |                          |                |               | 75               |               |                     | 1 75          |                     |                          |
| New Pisgah       | Second Sunday             | 4             |          |      | 4              | 24       | 60                 | 40 25           | 9 05                | 2 10            |                          | 1 05           |               | 3 15             |               |                     |               | 57 60               | 400                      |
| Green Forest     | Second and fourth Sundays | 7             | 5        |      | 1              | 1        | 89                 | 63 00           | 20 00               | 3 00            |                          | 30 00          |               |                  | 2 00          | 5 00                | 7 40          | 130 40              | 1600                     |
| Rock Springs     | Not reported              |               |          |      | 1              |          | 26                 | 12 55           |                     | 75              |                          |                |               |                  |               |                     |               | 13 30               |                          |
| Mt. Zion         | Fourth Sunday             |               | 2        |      | 3              |          | 24                 | 35              |                     | 50              |                          |                |               |                  |               |                     |               | 85                  |                          |
| Immanuel         | Every Sunday              |               | 5        |      | 2              | 11       | 69                 | 620 00          | 72 00               | 3 00            |                          |                |               | 88 35            |               |                     | 2678 82       | 3428 17             | 7200                     |
| Berryville       | First and third Sundays   | 19            | 12       |      | 2              | 3        | 66                 | 103 00          | 10 00               | 1 50            |                          | 6 00           | 1 00          | 1 00             |               |                     | 50 00         | 172 50              | 2000                     |
| Rocky Point      | Not reported              |               | 1        | 1    | 2              | 5        | 29                 | 20 50           |                     | 1 25            |                          |                |               | 1 50             | 1 45          |                     | 75            | 25 45               |                          |
| Shady Grove      | Second Sunday             | 3             | 1        |      | 2              |          | 70                 |                 |                     | 1 00            |                          |                |               |                  |               |                     | 15 00         | 16 00               |                          |
| White Elm        | Fourth Sunday             | 14            | 6        |      | 2              |          | 41                 | 16 50           | 50                  | 1 50            |                          |                |               | 2 00             |               |                     |               | 20 20               |                          |
| TOTALS - - - - - |                           | 73            | 58       | 10   | 11             | 56       | 34 1011            | 2076 15         | 111 55              | 22 10           | 5                        | 139 56         | 203 80        | 343 80           | 3 45          | 112 00              | 2590 87       | 5063 18             | 17000                    |

| CHURCHES      | PASTORS          | POST OFFICES   | CLERKS            | POST OFFICES   | MESSENGERS                                  |
|---------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------------------------------------|
| Pleasant Hill | D. H. Walker     | Berryville     | A. L. Plumlee     | Berryville     | Charles & Cyrus Standlee, A. L. Plumlee.    |
| Carrollton    |                  |                | J. Estes          | Carrollton     | J. Estes, A. T. Tibbets.                    |
| First Church  | H. C. Roberts    | Eureka Springs | J. B. Pendergrass | Eureka Springs | George West, C. M. Barnes.                  |
| Mt. Pisgah    | T. R. Keen       | Metaltion      | E. M. Stroud      | Green Forest   | James Paxton.                               |
| New Pisgah    | S. C. McCollough | Blue Eye, Mo.  | Nancy Butler      | Blue Eye, Mo.  | W. R. Weaver, Neely Butler, J. C. Mays.     |
| Green Forest  | J. H. Spurlin    | Berryville     | A. J. Russell     | Green Forest   | J. M. Keithley, A. J. Tabor. A. J. Russell. |
| Rock Springs  | C. H. Young      |                | A. L. Howerton    | Eureka Springs | A. L. Howerton.                             |
| Mt. Zion      |                  |                | F. M. Plumlee     | Oak Grove      | F. M. Plumlee, H. Harryman.                 |
| Immanuel      | J. H. DeLano     | Eureka Springs | Grace Overstreet  | Eureka Springs | Mrs. M. R. Regan, Mrs. J. H. DeLano.        |
| Berryville    | J. H. Spurlin    | Berryville     | George Martin     | Berryville     | R. P. Spurlin, W. S. Grim, W. J. Ledbetter  |
| Rocky Point   | Jno. Stevens     | Herd           | W. F. Masters     | Herd           | Mat Kirk, A. J. Masters.                    |
| Shady Grove   |                  |                | J. Price          | Berryville     | R. C. Baker, W. C. Gentry, W. G. Price.     |
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